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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - SANTA ANA DIVISION

In re:

USMAAN MELA,

Debtor.

CASE NUMBER: 8:22-bk-12033-TA

CHAPTER 7

STIPULATION EXTENDING THE TIME
FOR THE U.S. TRUSTEE ONLY TO FILE
AN ADVERSARY CASE UNDER §727 OR
TO FILE A MOTION TO DISMISS CASE
UNDER §707(b)(3)

[No Hearing Required]

**TO THE HONORABLE THEODOR ALBERT, CHIEF JUDGE, DEBTOR, DEBTOR'S
COUNSEL, AND PARTIES IN INTEREST:**

The United States Trustee for Region 16 (the "U.S. Trustee"), by and through his attorney,
Kristin T. Mihelic, and the Debtor, Usmaan Mela, by and through his attorney, Ben Heston,
hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

1. Usmaan Mela (the "Debtor") filed an individual Chapter 7 petition on
November 30, 2022, assigned case number 8:22-bk-12033-TA, and Thomas H. Casey was
appointed as Chapter 7 Trustee.

1 2. The current deadline for the U.S. Trustee to file an adversary proceeding objecting to the
2 Debtor's discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §727 or to move for dismissal of the Debtor's case
3 under 11 U.S.C. §707(b) is March 10, 2023.

4 3. The U.S. Trustee is continuing to investigate whether there is a basis to file an adversary
5 proceeding objecting to the Debtor's discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §727 or to move for dismissal of
6 the Debtor's case under 11 U.S.C. §707(b). However, as of the date of this Stipulation, the
7 investigation has not been concluded. The U.S. Trustee has requested that the Debtor produce
8 documents concerning his financial and business affairs, and understands that the Debtor is in the
9 process of gathering the requested information. Additional time is needed to allow the U.S. Trustee to
10 review the documents when received and to question the Debtor at sessions of the continued 341
11 meeting of creditors.
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14 4. Based on the forgoing facts, it is hereby stipulated and agreed that the last day on which the
15 U.S. Trustee can file an adversary proceeding objecting to discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §727 or to
16 file a motion to dismiss this case under 11 U.S.C. §707(b)(3) is extended from March 10, 2023
17 through April 30, 2023.
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19 **U.S. TRUSTEE FOR REGION 16**

20 Dated: February 16, 2023

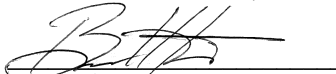
/s/ Kristin T. Mihelic

Kristin T. Mihelic

Attorney for the U.S. Trustee

23 **USMAAN MELA,**

24 Dated: February 16, 2023



Ben Heston,

Attorney for the Debtor

PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is:
OFFICE OF THE U.S. TRUSTEE, 411 W. 4TH STREET, #7160, SANTA ANA, CA 92701

A true and correct copy of the foregoing

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§707(b)(3)**

will be served or was served **(a)** on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-
2(d); and **(b)** in the manner indicated below:

I. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (“NEF”) – Pursuant to
controlling General Order(s) and Local Bankruptcy Rule(s) (“LBR”), the foregoing document will be served by the
court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On **February 24, 2023**, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this
bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following person(s) are on the Electronic Mail
Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email address(es) indicated below:

- Thomas H Casey (TR) msilva@tomcaseylaw.com, thc@trustesolutions.net
- Benjamin Heston bhestonecf@gmail.com,
benheston@recap.email, NexusBankruptcy@jubileebk.net
- United States Trustee (SA) ustpreion16.sa.ecf@usdoj.gov

II. SERVED BY U.S. MAIL OR OVERNIGHT MAIL(indicate method for each person or entity served): On
February 24, 2023, I served the following person(s) and/or entity(ies) at the last known address(es) in this
bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the
United States Mail, first class, postage prepaid, and/or with an overnight mail service addressed as follows. Listing
the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the
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III. SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL (indicate method for
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following person(s) and/or entity(ies) by personal delivery, or (for those who consented in writing to such service
method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that
personal delivery on the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing
is true and correct.

February 24, 2023

Tari King

/s/ Tari King

Date

Type Name

Signature